

**Mayor's Bicycle Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
May 20, 2014**

Those present: Karen Doe, Joan Cook, Stacie Hurre, Jennifer Gebhard, Frank Merritt, Carole Terry, Matt Grimes, Tom Hanley, Pete Fritz, Jen Higginbotham, Jamison Hutchins, Alan Rainey, Mark Zwoyer, Jessica Hall, Colleen McCormick, Connie Szabo Schmucker, Scott Manning

Guests: Donna Prather, Indy Parks, Chelsy Winters Top 10/YMCA, Jordan Rhodes Office of Sustainability Gretchen Zortman, Butler professor Jason Davidson and his students

Meeting called to order at 3:11pm

A motion to approve the April Meeting Minutes was made by Alan Rainey and seconded by Mark Zwoyer. There were no corrections or additions made.

Project Updates

Jamison Hutchins gave an update of the Green lane visit and project. He stated that the visit was very busy but energized and he shared some documents with the committee from the Green Lane visit such as "Explain your Lane" and "Protected Bike Lanes mean Business" Jamison also shared some photo renderings of what can be done in the locations under consideration for the Green lane project.

Jamison also brought the output sheets from the eco counters at the Shelby cycle track and the 10th Street (Payne Connection). Some key usage figures are as follows:

Shelby Cycle Track

Total traffic for April 1-May 20 was 11,557

Daily average = 236

Busiest Day of the week was Sunday and peak days were Sunday 5/4, Saturday 4/26 and Sunday 5/11

10th Street Payne Connection

Total traffic for April 1-May 20 was 42,741

Daily average = 872

Busiest Day of the week was Sunday and peak days were Saturday 4/26, Saturday 5/10 and Saturday 4/12

Jamison reported that White River Greenway and Canal Path connection at 30th street was paved along with the Pleasant run Trail connection at Keystone and that the bike lanes on Prospect have been repaved and final striping will take place soon.

Finally, Jamison reported that it was highly likely that 1.6 million in CMAC money would be officially approved by the MPO Policy Committee on June 28th for a bridge to be built over 38th Street at the Monona.

The next update was on the email sent to the City on behalf of the IMBAC concerning the Fall Creek Trail closure and what was felt to be a communication breakdown on the project. Andy Lutz, DPW Deputy Director and Chief Engineer responded saying that they would continue to work toward closing the communication gap between DPW Project Managers, IMBAC, DPW Parks staff and the Bike Coordinator moving forward and that ideally all closures, restrictions and detours will be vetted through the IMBAC, DPW Traffic and his office. Andy closed by stating that any suggestions on this are appreciated.

Jamison added to this information by telling the committee that an official internal email went out to managers stating protocol when bicycle detours/bike lanes/trails etc. are involved.

There were no committee updates.

Butler Student Presentations

There were two presentations made by Butler students. One concentrated on an analysis of crash data for 2013. The students looked at many factors such of when and how. The greatest number of crashed happened because of failure to yield the right of way. Other findings: most frequent months form crashes were September, July, and October; ¾ of crashes happed in the daylight and in clear weather; and that 5:00pm had the highest amount of crashes on average.

The second presentation was geared toward a data base that can be used as a repository for all types of bicycle related information instead of one of analysis. An example of data stored was crash data, trail maps, count numbers, etc.

Thank you to Professor Davidson and his students for all their hard work on this project.

National Bike Challenge Local Update

There are approximately 675 currently signed up. About 400 of those who have signed up have logged miles. Total miles logged thus far are around 50,000. Even though Indy will not reach its goal of logging a million miles in May, the number of those who have signed up this year has far exceeded last year's numbers of approximately 150 bicyclists.

Recap of Past Events

Bicycle Indiana Conference – attendance was down from last year but the attendees were engaged; next year the conference is back in Indianapolis

Bike to Work Day – cold and rainy but still 150-200 bicyclists

CycloFemme – last year only about 25 riders, this year attendance was up to around 75

IMBA/HMBA – trail building event had about 38 volunteers

Bicycle Counts – completed and almost every site covered with great numbers

Neil Kelty Memorial Ride – around 230-240 registered but more riders than that; very tastefully done

Upcoming Events

National Bike Challenge is ongoing until 9/30/14

Mayor's Bike Ride is 6/7

Bike Parking at the Indy 500 5/26

World Bicycle Relief Event 6/20 and 6/21

Tour de Cure 6/21

NITE Ride 6/28

Meeting Adjourned at 4:10pm for committees to meet

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